Stop Law Enforcement Violence Toolkit

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This toolkit was published in 2008, and is intended as an resource tool for activists and organizers, and provides some examples of organizing tools and strategies. It includes fact sheets, ideas for organizing, and sample tools created by other organizations.

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Fact sheets

- Cover, Introduction, & Table of Contents
- Policing Gender
- Khaki & Blue: A Killer Combination
- Immigration Enforcement
- "Quality of LIfe" or "Zero Tolerance" Policing
- Cops...In Schools??!!
- Policing Sex Work
- The War on Drugs
- Police Violence Against Native Women and Native Trans & Two Spirit People
- Police Violence and Domestic Violence
- Rape, Sexual Assault, and Sexual Harassment
- Law Enforcement & Disaster: Police Brutality In The Wake of Hurricane Katrina

Organizing tools

- Resisting Law Enforcement Violence – Some Ideas
- Making the Links – Sista II Sista – From Bushwick to Bagdhad!

- Young Women In Brooklyn Speak Out Against Violence
- Know Your Rights
- Critical Lessons from the New Jersey 7
- Organizing For Community Accountability
- INCITE! Online Resources
- Sista II Sista – Sistas Liberated Ground
- Audre Lorde Project – Safe OUTside the System Collective (SOS)
- SOS – Living Against Violence
- CARA – Making Connections
- What Is Participatory Action Research?
- Sista II Sista Community Survey & Fact Sheet
- Still We Rise Community Survey
- FIERCE! Community Survey
- Coalición de Derechos Humanos Abuse Documentation Form
- National Network of Immigrant & Refugee Rights: Hurricane
- Safe Streets Community Survey
- Different Avenues Survey
- Five Questions: Sample Workshop on Law Enforcement Violence Against Women & Trans People of Color
- Critical Resistance-INCITE! Statement on Gender Violence and the Prison Industrial Complex
- List of Resources & Organizations
- Table of Contents for Resource CD
- Evaluation

Who contributed to this toolkit?

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What can this toolkit be used for?

- Integrate a gender analysis into our conversations and action around police brutality, the prison industrial complex, and state violence;
- Connect, support, and advance local organizing that addresses all forms of violence against women and trans people of color, including police brutality and other forms of state violence;
- Uncover and address the impacts of police brutality on all members of our communities, including women of color and trans people of color;
- Develop basebuilding projects that center the experiences of leadership of women and trans people of color who live at the dangerous intersections of multiple forms of interpersonal, community, and state gender based violence, including youth, sex workers, poor and working class women and trans people of color, formerly incarcerated women and trans people of color, immigrants, and Native people.
- Challenge society's primary reliance on law enforcement agents to protect us from domestic violence, sexual assault, homophobic and transphobic violence and other forms of interpersonal and community violence;
- Collectively develop alternative responses to violence that do not rely on law enforcement agents who often perpetrate and permit violence against us rather than protect us.

Palm cards, posters, brochures

- Download 4×6 anti-police violence palm card as a pdf file for distribution.
- Distribute more detailed 8.5×28.5 anti-police violence brochure/poster in your community to help share the analysis of law enforcement violence against women and trans people of color as a critical intersection of gender violence and state violence.

We need your feedback!

This toolkit is evolving. Please fill out the online evaluation form and tell us what you thought about the toolkit, how you used it, what was missing, what resources you are aware of that should be included, and anything else that would help make it better!

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